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NEWS SUMMARY.

-In New York yesterday gold closed at 361. -Cotton was firm, with sales of 1800 bales. 11 33 ce its.

-In Triverpool sotton was active but unchanged; sales 12,000 bales. -The letter carriers, just introduced at Richmond; Va., are proving very popular with

-St. Louis rests serenely confident that it is to be the national capital, and is already holdin; congratulatory meetings over the pros-

-Manuel Cortese, "a Cuban patriot," was arrested at New York yesterday for attempting to pass a forged check for three thousand

-The Cuban Junta protest against the proposed purchase of Cuba from Spain on the ground that two-thirds of the island is owned by native Cubans.

-The excitement in Missouri about Hildebrand is on the increase. The Governor has increased the reward for his capture to fifteen thousand dollars. Over three hundred mer are in pursuit of him in the country. It has been ascertained that he actually ventured into St. Louis on Saturday.

-The man who says he saw a sea serpent in Newark Bay adheres to his story. He says in a card to a paper that "if folks don't believe it they needn't, and I don't care; but if any of em had been in the boat with me they would most likely have laughed on the other side of their mouths. That's what's the matter."

-A Jersey genius has invented a device for watering horses when travelling or at work, by which their thirst may be assusged without stopping. It appears to be more particularly designed for the benefit of the draft animals of city street cars. The bit of the bridle or head-stall is made hollow, and has attached to It a flexible tube connected with a tank carried in or on the vehicle. By pulling a string the water is caused to flow into the bit, and then through a suitable orifice into the horse's mouth. This beats the apparatus for filling locomotive tanks without stopping.

-A shocking murder took place in Boston or Wednesday. The wife of Dr. Alvan H. Hobbs. was shot through the heart that night by one Major White, who is said to be from Tennessee. She died instantly. The murder was done in cold blood, and in the presence of the husband and child of the victim. White was arraigned charged with wilful murder, and waiving an examination, was committed to

after he had altacked her with a knife, he was sent to the lunatic hospital at Bouth Boston, where he remained six months.

-The fashionable watering place season is considered to be half over on August 1st, and their profits. It is asserted this year that the boarders, and that none of the places of great resort have been full. The reasons given for this falling off are stated as follows : "Money to be thrown away or spent in folly has not been abundant this summer; and, second, new resorts have been discovered where comfortable and chees accommodations can be obtained, and where the visitors are not required to dress in the height of the fashion and to be bound down by the rigid requirements of

-The Washington correspondent of the New York Herald writes: "It seems to be pretty generally understood here now that President Grant will not permit his Cabinet to practically nullify the results of the late Virginia election by exacting the obnexious test oath. I am informed that the President is fully resolved to abide by the popular verdict, and that, too. against the advice of some of his constitutional advisers, who are well known to be of dlametrically the opposite opinion. This information is strengthened by an article in the Richmond Enquirer of this morning, which says: 'We have it in a most direct manner that the test oath will not be exacted.' The words are italicised, and seem to bear the impress of au-

-Mr. Medill, in order to give an idea of some things in California, makes the following striking comparison; California is mmense in every respect. The State itself is nine buildred miles long by two hundred broad. Three States larger than Illinois can be carved out of it Wonderful as is its mmeral wealth, yet that is far excelled by its agriculture, by its fruite and flowers, grains and grasses. The highest peak in the Alleghany mountains, is hardly, onethird of the altitude of peaks in the Sierra Nevada; and the tallest tree in the Mississippi Valley would not reach to the lowest limb of some of the forest monarchs of Canfornia. Think of trees, whose trunks are greater in diameter than the shot-tower in Chicago, and whose tops pierce the heavens further than the highest church-spire in Chicago placed on the top of that shot-tower would reach.

-A Yale student named Deming was terribly injured in a base ball match, at Waterbury, Conn., on Saturday. A ball was thrown to a great height, and he started for another catch, when getting into the edge of the standing grass, he struck one foot against a scythes-nath, which had very thoughtlessly been left there. The snath turned, bringing the sharp blade agamst the calf of his left leg. inflicing a ghastly cut, laying open muscles, tendons, cords, severing two arteries and the point of the blade penetrating almost into the knee joint. Notwithstanding the terrible wound, Deming secured the ball, rose to his feet and hobbled a short distance, when he tegan to realize the extent of his injuries and sank to the ground. He was taken to the Soville House, where his wounds were dress-ed. It is uncertain if he can survive. He is a

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-The Western papers are filled with the de-

tails of the recent bloody riot on a Mississippi steamboat. Fifty raftsmen came on board the boat at Davenport, when the clerk ordered two of the negro deck hands to stand guard at the gangway while he assorted the deck from the cabin passengers, and not to allow any one to pass without his permission. One of the raftsmen tried to pass this guard and make his way to the cabin, when the deck hands ordered him back until his ticket was examined by the clerk. He, not liking this, commenced pitching into the deck hands, who got the best of him, when the raftsmen came to his rescue, stabbing and beating the two deck hands, until about dead. Then they throw the bodies into the river and made an assault on the rest of the deck prews succeedng in killing three more of them and throwing their bodies into the river. One of the raftsmen was also killed in the melee, making six in all killed. As soon as Hampton was reached the raftsmen drove the deck crew ashore. injuring several of them with stones. Then they wont aboard the best and ordered the captain to proceed up the river or they would ourn his boat. He being in their power, and fearing they would carry their threat into exeoution, he ided the boat up stream, and in the meantime telegraphed to a sheriff, who overtook the boat at Cliuton, and immediately took possession of her and started for Rock Island. On their arrival there were five thousand people on the river bank, together with the crew who were driven off the boat, and who succoeded in recognizing forty-two of the men. They were taken to jail under a strong guard.

CHARLESTON.

SATURDAY MORNING, AUGUST 7, 1869.

The Solar Eclipse To-Day.

Seldom in a man's lifetime does the op portunity present itself of beholding one of those strange conjunctions of the heavenly bodies known as a sclar eclipse. That science should be able to predict, with absolute accuracy the moment at which these awe-inspiring phenomena may be looked for, is certainly a striking and impressive proof of the marvellous power of the human intellect. A weird interest, too, is added to this particular eclipse, by the certainty that long ere the recurrence of a similar event most of us will have passed away from the busy scenes of life.

Comparatively few of our readers will be so fortunately located as to come entirely within the cone of shade which reaches from the moon to the earth, and thus be enveloped for a brief interval with the mantle of a lunar night; yet a large majority may witness, if the sky is cloudless, a partial eclipse. Those who have no as tronomical instruments at command may Jail. It is stated that for several years be manufactured be marelyes by watching from some shows and loved his fictim, and that in 1861, commanding emisence the changes in the color of the landscape, or by noticing any variation in the form of those small spots of sunlight somstimes found under trees, which are miniature suns made in Nature's the landfords and proprietors begin to estimate | camers, when an isolated ray of light penehotels have suffered severely from lack of Those who expect to see signs of approach ing night during a partial eclipse will be sadly disappointed, for light does not seem to diminish rapidly until about four-fifths of the sun's disc has been covered.

In Charleston the eclipse will begin this afternoon at one minu'e before five o'clock and end at eight minutes before seven o'clock.

The Red Gook.

Eugland has her Blue Book; the French have their Livrejaune-"yellow book;" and Austria, once or twice a year, publishes an official volume, containing all the dispatches that emanated from the foreign office, since the date of the book last published. These semi-annual volumes are known under the name of the "Red Book." Such a volume, has con issued recently under the auspices of the able and versatile premier, Baron von Beust, a statesman second to none on the continent of Europe, unless indeed Bismarok may claim a higher plane. What gives a factitious interest to this Red Book is that the distinguished Premier condescends to play author in good earnest, and in the introduction to his red book passes in review the remarks and oriticisms made upon the previous volume by the foreign press, or in the unofficially reported utterances of foreign cabinets. This, surely, is something new under the sun-more Democratic than the much vaunted "ministerial responsibility" in England, or the inordinately long arguments that are periodically put upon the people of these United States, in the guise of Presidents' messages.

We learn from this introduction that some of the foreign powers, whose "notes" have been presented to the public under these suspices, have expressed great dissatisfaction, and not altogether without reason, alleging that no such publicity was contemplated when said "notes" were drawn. To this Von Beust laconically and bravely, replies that the Austrian monarchy will not be in the least hurt if other governments should be equally frank about their policy.

Incidentally we have here also an ovi dence of the great strides made during the past two years by this ancient nation to ward a true representative government. In answering the charge that the Red Book was only published to tesse their neighbore, Count Beust says that if any govern ment is justifiable in publishing something member of the junforciass of the college.

—Dr. Sears' late letter throws some needed of this kind, it is the Austro-Hungarian light on the nature and management of the monarchy; for its foreign policy is always Peabody fund. Imprimis, it is not a charity, discussed in full Parliament, but on absount but an encouragement that is, is not meant of the dualistic organization in the delegato be the instrumentality, sole and direct, of cions sent by the two Perliaments, an in-educating poor children, but a means of assist-sight into the management of foreign ing offerts made otherwise to that end. If in sight into the management of foreign in 17 State the children are by law provided for affairs must needs be given to these bodies

ter to have every consideration for the surcepibilities of ethers, but he cannot satisfy the representatives of the two Legislatures with a few show phrases. There must be a solid foundation for a vote of the delegations; the publication is not a play or a diplomatic manouvre; but a necessity arising from the special organization of Austria and Hangary; and from this point of view the Red Book cught to be judged.

The period covered by the present volume of the Red Book is not one of much interest in European politics. The disparches that have elicited most attention are those on the relations of Austria to Italy, of Belgium and France, and of the Empire with Rome.

No. 37 is a dispatch to Baron Kubeck, in Florence, and expresses the satisfaction of the Imperial Royal Government at the friendly refations between Aus ria and Hungary and Italy. As the enmity of Austria and Italy has been a permanent cause of trouble to Europe, instead of causing apprehensions these friendly rela tions ought to be a subject of satisfaction everywhere. Both countries are occupied with their internal organization, and must necessa rily avoid all complications. Having a common interest, it is but natural that they are often found pursuing the same road.

There has been much talk, some time ago in the papers, about advice given by the Austrian State Chancelior to Belgium in the matter of the railway question. Relating to this is a dispatch which explains matters. Count Wimpfen wrote from Berlin, saying that the Belgian Minister there wished to have Count Beust's opinion on the subject, and this opinion was given in a priva e, confidential way. He advised the Belgian Government not to extend the dispute with France from the specific railway question into the domain of general polities, to look upon the difference with the view of facilitating international communication, and not to see in it an attempt against the independence of Belgium.

Seven disputches relate to the relations of the Empire with Rome. Although courteous, they give no hope of any possible change in the internal policy in favor of the pretensions

The forty-eighth and last dispatch is one to Count Ingleheim, in Munich, containing the answer to the proposal of the Bavarian Government to act in common with regard to the Œ numenical Council to be called together in Rome. The question put was a hether it was not advisable to adopt in common certain preventive measures against possible emergencies -for instance, warning the Bishops not to venture too far. Count Beust says that after having consulted with the two Ministries they arrived at the conclusion that, in a State based on liberal and constitutional principles as the Austro-Hungarian Monarchy is, no preventive measures can be adopted, as the Catholic Church is but exercising its right when it meets in council. All that is known about the Council are suppositions, on which it would be impossible to concert any sort of action.

The exceeding courtesy and air of conciliation that pervade all these State papers strikes one with some degree of surprise; and as diplomatists are always supposed to have a reason for everything they do or say other than appears on the surface, we cannot help thinking that the accomplished Baron is in a state of expectancy-waiting for a fit opportunity to form one or more advantageous alliances. With that end in view, his policy appears to be to smooth the way and remove obstacles, one by one. France is clearly the object of all this coquetry, with Italy, perhaps, to complete Triple Union. Prussis, of course, the objective point against which this allied power is to be hurled-and it may be also against Russia. This, however, as yet is mere speculation, and there is nothing just at this time, as far as we can know, seriusly to threaten the peace of Europe.

Tue readiest solution that we have seen of what is called "the Chinese problem" is given in an extract now going the rounds of the Northern papers, purporting to be taken from a speech of a negro senstor of South Carolina. It is as follows: "The "white people say they are going to bring "coolies and white emigrants to this coun-"try. But this country is ours; we've got "the Legislature and we wont allow it-"and we wont. We'll put the white man "ten feet under ground, and, as to the "coolies, we'll put them twenty feet." Who is the ebony senator who has thus cut the Gordian knot?

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